COMPETITIONS.

Plans and Specifications for Covered Ways at the Lunatic Asylum, Melton. March 18.

Plans and Elevations for a new Workhouse with the requisite offices, capable of accommodating 400 inmates, for the Canterbury Incorporation. The architect is requested to state the amount of premium he will require for the use of his plan and specifications in the event of the Court of Guardians adopting the same, and appointing their own surveyor to superintend the works. March 8.

Plans for the most convenient mode of landing or embarking passengers, carriages, &c., &c., at George's Pier-head, Liverpool. A Premium of 200*l.* will be given for the Plan selected and acted upon, and a Premium of 100*l.* will be given for that Plan which may be deemed to be the next in utility. March 19.

APPROACHING SALES OF WOOD, &c.

BY AUCTION.

March 11.—At Enfield: 200 Oak Timber Trees of large dimensions and excellent quality; 34 Elm and 24 Ash Trees; also 45 Oak Trees of large metings.

March 10.—Upon the Benacre Hall Estate: 1,000 Oak Stands, from 5 to 8 inches girth; 140 Ash and Elm Stands; 40 Fir Stands; 10 Ash Timber Trees; also 60 Fir Trees and 12 Poplar Trees.

March 11.—At New Barns Farm, Ely: 330 Ash, Elm, Beech, and Sycamore Timber Trees. They are of fine growth and quality, very straight, of great length and good girth.

March 14.—At Ellingham Hall, near Bungay: 600 Spruce, Larch, and Scotch Firs of capital quality, and a quantity of Ash, Elm, and Willow Timbers.

March 11.—At Clay and Sand Woods, Tetworth: A fall of prime Oak Timber Trees, very long and straight and unequalled in quality.

March 18.—At West Backland, Somerset: 833 Oak, Elm, and Ash, Maiden, and Pollard Timber Trees.

March 13.—At Corfe, near Taunton, Somerset: 210 Maiden Oak, 60 Maiden Ash, and 80 Pollard Oak Timber Trees.

March 17.—At the Abbey Farm, Eye, Suffolk: A large quantity of Poplar, Fir, Elm, Willow, and Ash Timbers; also Poplar, Fir, Ash, Spruce, and Larch Poles.

March 13.—At Dullingham, Cambridge. 2,000 Larch and Scotch Spiers.

March 18.—At Waresley, Huntingdonshire: A large fall of Ash and Elm Timber Trees; also Larch, Spruce, Birch, Beech, Chesnut, Alder, and Hornbeam Spires, very straight, large, and long.

March 10.—At Bottisham Hall, Cambridge: A quantity of very useful Ash, Elm, Lime, Chesnut, and Beech Trees.

March 12.—At the King's Head, Nazing, Essex: 2,188 Oak Timber Trees of good, and a great portion of large dimensions, and very straight and clear.

March 10.—At Fordham Abbey, Cambridge: 100 capital Timber Trees, and upwards of 300 Stands.

March 11.—At the King's Head Inn, Enfield, Middlesex; 200 Oak Timber Trees of large dimensions and excellent quality, 34 Elm and 24 Ash Trees.

March 12.—At Ufculm, Devon; 130 Maiden Oak and 60 Maiden Ash Trees.

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MEETINGS OF SCIENTIFIC BODIES

During the ensuing week.

MONDAY, March 10.—*Geographical*, 3, Waterloo-place, 8½ P.M.; *British Architects*, 16, Grosvenor-street, 8 P.M.; *Medical*, Bolt-court, Fleet-street, 8 P.M.

TUESDAY, 11.—*Medical and Chirurgical*, 53, Berners-street, 8½ P.M.; *Civil Engineers*, 25, Great George-street, 8 P.M.; *Zoological*, Hanover-square, 8½ P.M.

WEDNESDAY, 12.—*Society of Arts*, Adelphi, 8 P.M.; *Geological*, Somerset House, 8½ P.M.; *London Institution*, Finsbury-circus, 7 P.M.; *Graphic*, Thatched House Tavern, 8 P.M.; *Pharmaceutical*, 17, Bloomsbury-square, 9 P.M.

THURSDAY, 13.—*Royal*, Somerset House, 8½ P.M.; *Antiquaries*, Somerset House, 8 P.M.; *Royal Society of Literature*, 4, St. Martin's-place, 4 P.M.; *Medico Botanical*, 32, Sackville-street, 8 P.M.

FRIDAY, 14.—*Astronomical*, Somerset House, 8 P.M.; *Royal Institution*, Albemarle-street, 8½ P.M.; *Philological*, 49, Pall Mall, 8 P.M.

SATURDAY, 15.—*Asiatic*, 14, Grafton-street, 2 P.M.; *Westminster Medical*, 32, Sackville-street, 8 P.M.; *Statistical*, 11, Regent-street, 8 P.M. (anniversary).

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Received.—*The Pictorial Gallery of Arts, Part II. (C. Knight)*—*A Report of the Proceedings at the first session of the British Archæological Association, edited by Alfred John Dunkin (J. Russell Smith)*—*Old England, a Pictorial Museum of Popular Antiquities, Part XV. (C. Knight)*—*The Geologist's Text Book, by David T. Ansted, M.A. (J. Van Voorst)*—*Geology as a Branch of Education, by D. T. Ansted, M.A. (Van Voorst)*—*Bloomfield's Poems, illustrated by Sydney Cooper, &c. (Van Voorst).*

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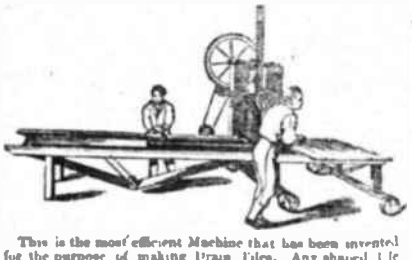

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